

1. NSLDS Gainful Employment Completers List Viewer Introduction

The Department of Education creates a Gainful Employment (GE) Completers List on an annual basis that contains a list of students who completed a GE program at your school during the applicable cohort period. This list is created from data provided by your school, and the initial file is considered the Draft GE Completers List. You may request that corrections be made to your Completers List within the designated time period, after which a Final GE Completers List is distributed and used for the Debt Measure calculations.

NSLDS has created a tool that will assist you in viewing your Gainful Employment Completers List. The following set of instructions will explain the features of the tool, how to open your Completers List in the tool, and how to view your student, program, and exclusion data.

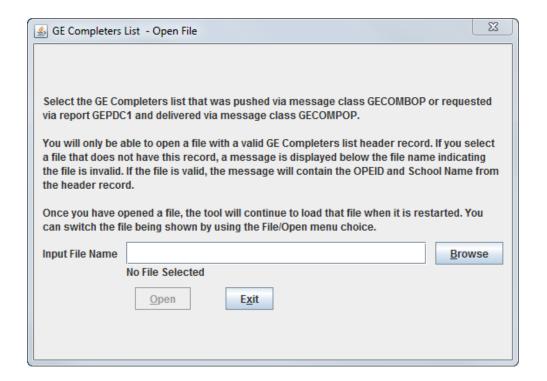
2. Getting Started

Saving Software

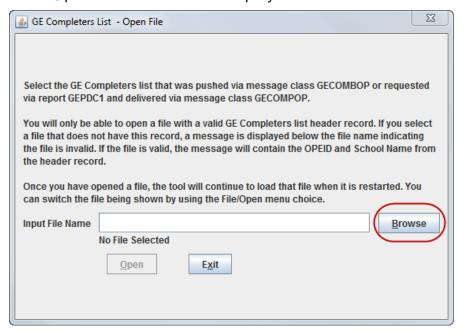
Obtain software by right clicking on the link in the GE Resources page and saving it in a secure manner on your local machine or network. The software will need to be able to access the Gainful Employment Completers List files sent via SAIG, so they should either be saved on the same computer or within the same secure network.

Once the software has been downloaded from IFAP, and the GE Completers List downloaded from your SAIG mailbox, you are ready to begin by clicking on the software. Note: You will need to have JavaTM version 8.0 in order to use this software.

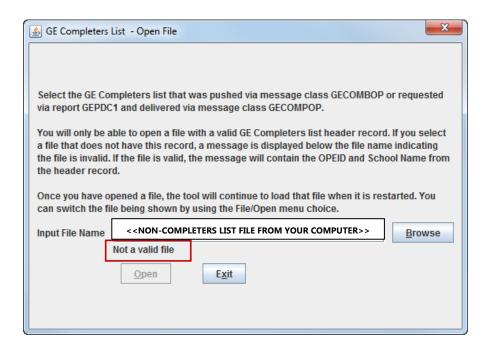
The software will open and the screen below will appear.



Select the **Browse** button to locate the GE Completers List file. This file can either be the file that was pushed to your SAIG mailbox or the one requested via report GEPDC1. Both files utilize the same format. For more information regarding the file format, please see the Gainful Employment User Guide.

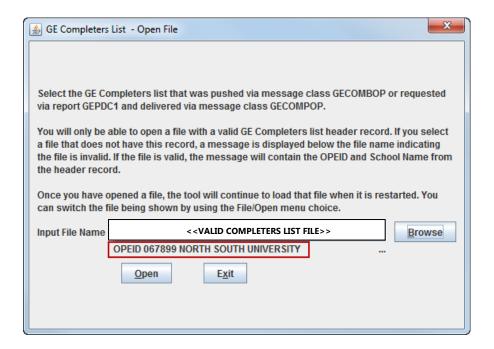


After selecting the **Browse** button, use the Browse function to search for the GE Completers List file, and click **Open**. Should a file that is not the correct file be selected, you will receive a message that indicates that the file is not valid. Simply select the **Browse** button again and use the Browse function to search for the correct file.



You will know that you have located the correct file when the OPEID and name of your school appear below the Input File Name box. Click **Open** and the software will initiate.

Note: When returning to the software after your initial session, you will not have to browse and locate the file.

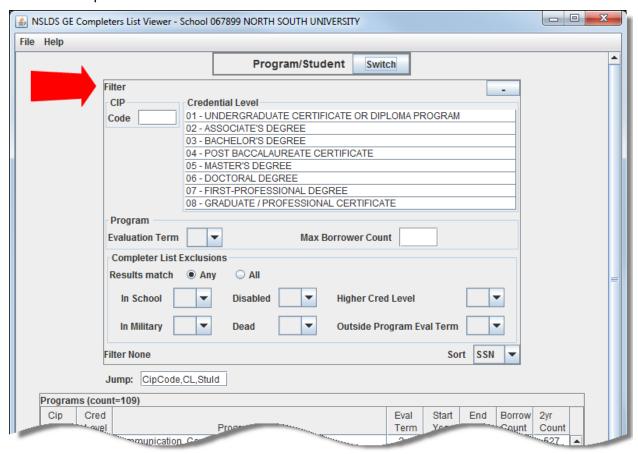


3. Getting to Know the GE Completers List Viewer

Once you have located and opened your Completers List, you are ready to begin viewing the data. There are two distinct ways of viewing the data in the Viewer. The first is by Program/Student. The second is by Student/Program. You can switch between views by clicking the **Switch** button. Each view has the same Filter sections, which utilize the same functions.

Filter Section Overview

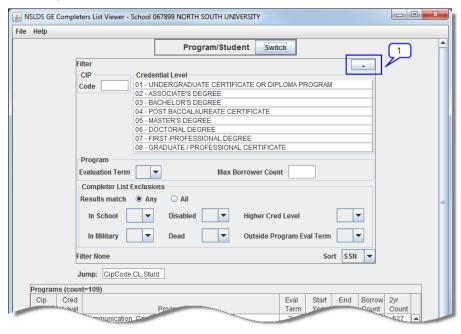
The Filter section of the tool contains multiple areas which are designed to help you narrow down your search when looking for records in your GE Completers List. The Filter section is divided up into three areas: main Filter section, Program section and the Completer List Exclusions section.



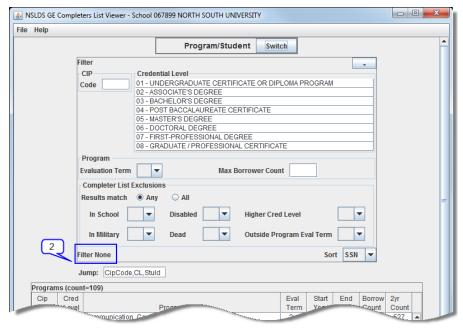
Filter Section Details

Upper Right Corner – Minus button col

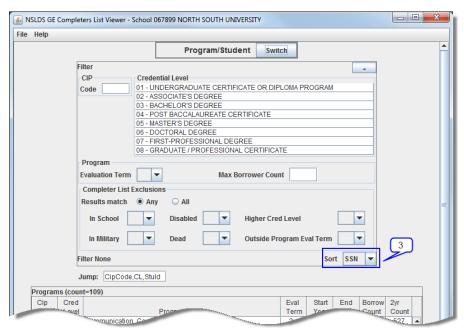
Upper Right Corner – Minus button collapses the entire Filter section to allow for more space on the screen to review data.



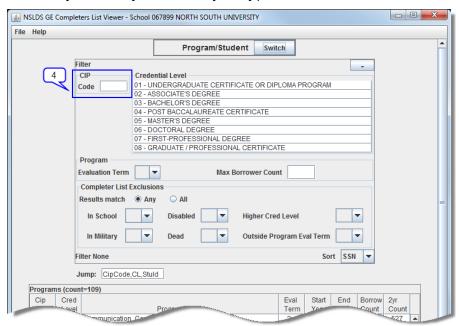
Bottom Left Corner – List of all filters selected will be present. None will appear prior to selecting any filters.



Bottom Right Corner – Sort: SSN/Name. SSN is the default sort option for records in the Students section.



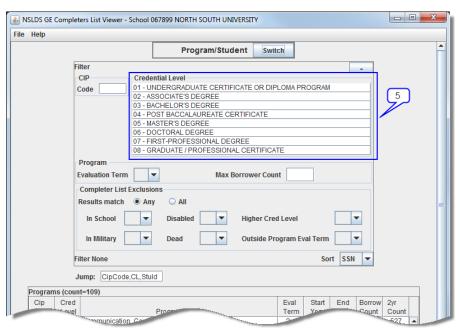
CIP Code Box – Enter a CIP Code from the file to search the Program section. The list will be dynamically sorted as you type.



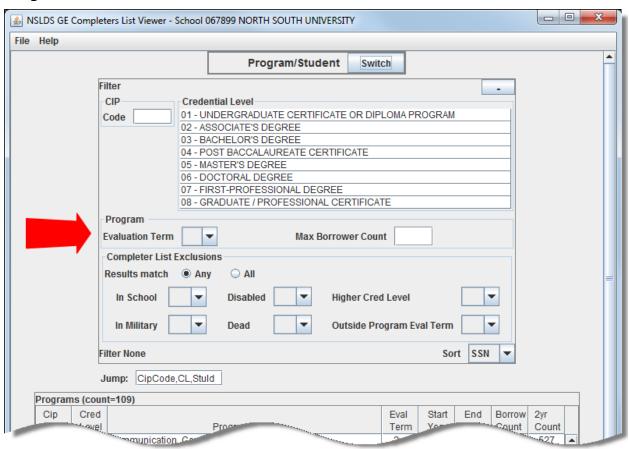
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Credential Level – List of Credential Levels for programs found in your Completers List. As such, it's possible that the list may contain fewer than all of the levels listed below.

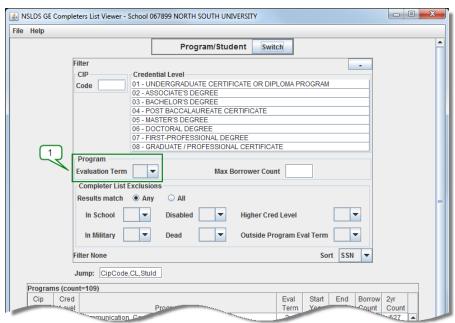
A Credential Level can be selected by clicking on one with your mouse. Hold down the CNTL key and click each Credential Level to select multiples. Use CNTL click to de-select from the list.



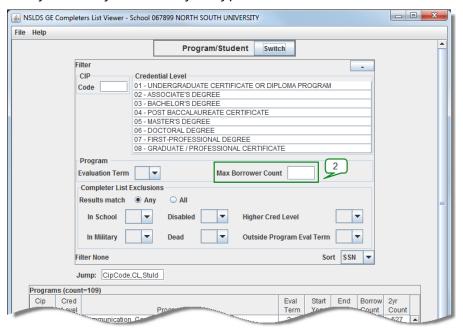
Program Section Details



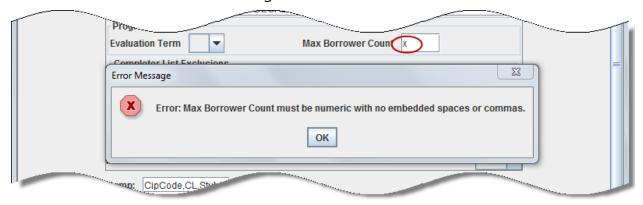
Evaluation Term – List of Evaluation Terms (i.e. 2yr, 4yr, Ayr) for programs found in your Completers List. A value of "Ayr" indicates that while there are one or more completers in the file, all of them met the criteria for an exclusion. Therefore that GE Program has no eligible completers.



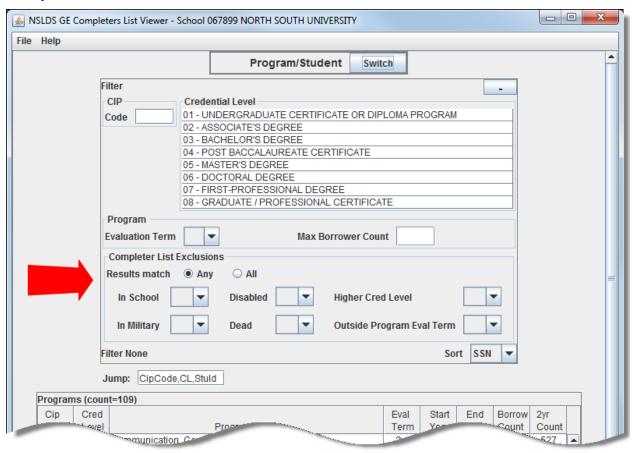
Max Borrower Count – This field conducts a search of the Borrow Count field and produces results equal to and less than the number entered. The Programs list will be dynamically sorted as you type.



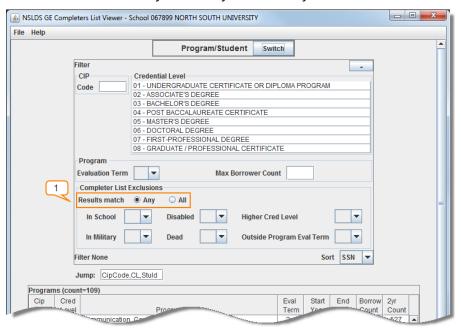
You will receive an error if something other than a number is entered.



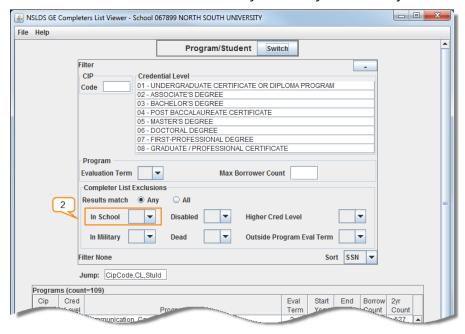
Completer List Exclusions Details



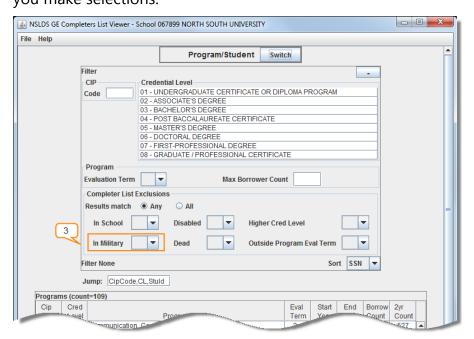
Results match – Any / All radio buttons allow you to select from a combination of any, or all, of the various Exclusion drop down menus to review records. The Students list will be dynamically sorted as you make selections.



In School – This field indicates whether or not a student has been excluded from the Completers List for being In School during the earnings year. The valid values are Yes and No. The Students list will be dynamically sorted as you make selections.

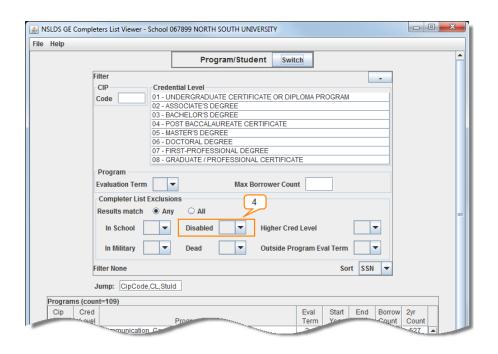


In Military - This field indicates whether or not a student has been excluded from the Completers List for having a loan in a Military Deferment status during the earnings year. The valid values are Yes and No. The Students list will be dynamically sorted as you make selections.

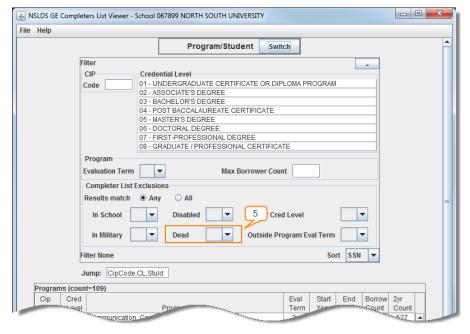


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Disabled - This field indicates whether or not a student has been excluded from the Completers List for having a loan discharged due to Disability or for having a loan assigned to the Department of Education's Total Permanent Disability (TPD) servicer. The valid values are Yes and No. The Students list will be dynamically sorted as you make selections.

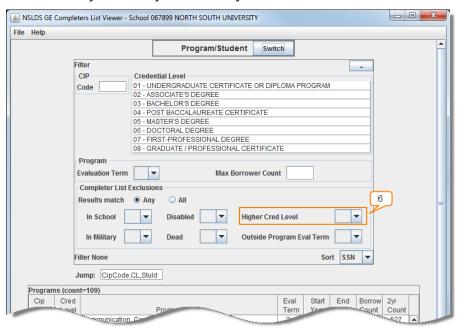


Dead – This field indicates whether or not a student has been excluded from the Completers List for having a loan discharged due to Death. The valid values are Yes and No. The Students list will be dynamically sorted as you make selections.

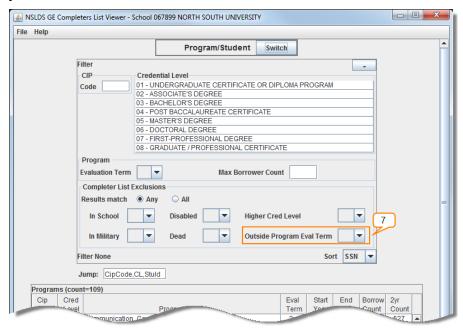


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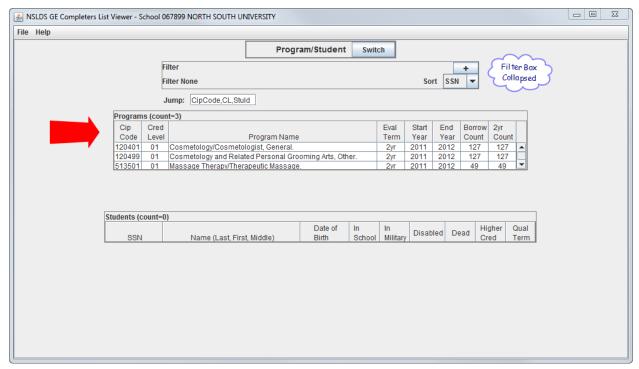
higher undergraduate, lower graduate to higher graduate) prior to the end of the most recently completed award year. The valid values are Yes and No. The Students list will be dynamically sorted as you make selections.



Outside Program Eval Term – This field indicates whether or not the Students have been excluded from the Completers List due to being Outside of the Evaluation Term. The valid values are Yes and No. The Students list will be dynamically sorted as you make selections.

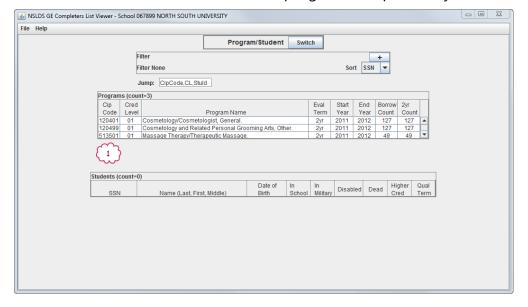


Programs Section Details



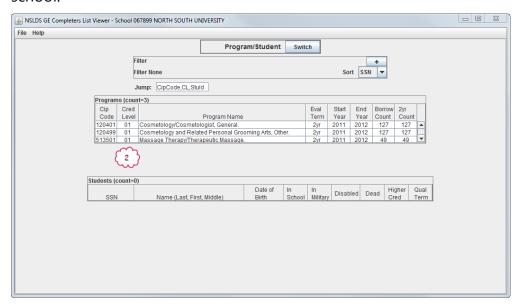
The count next to the Programs table heading is equal to the number of programs in the table, based on the filter criteria currently selected.

CIP Code – This is the CIP Code of the program as reported by the school.

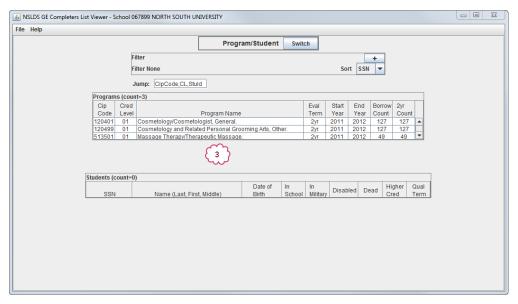


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Cred Level – This is the Credential Level Code of the program as reported by the school.

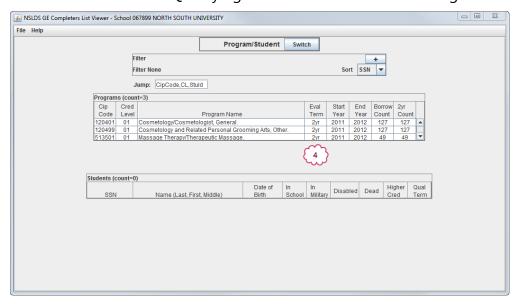


Program Name – This is the official CIP Program name associated with the reported CIP Code.

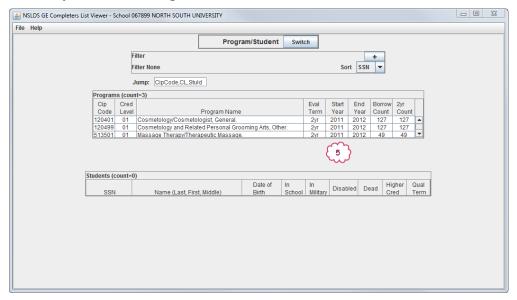


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Eval Term – This is the Qualifying Evaluation Period for the Program.

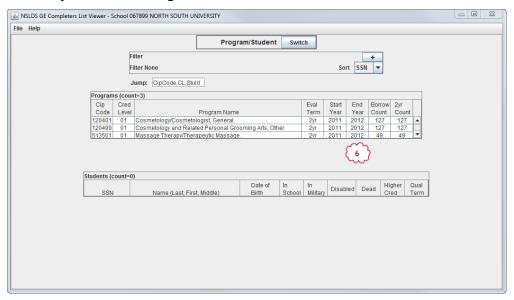


Start Year – The year that the rate evaluation period begins. Award Years run July to June crossing two calendar years and are often identified by a two year pair (e.g. 2010-2011). The year shown here is the second/ending year (e.g. 2011 for Award Year July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011).

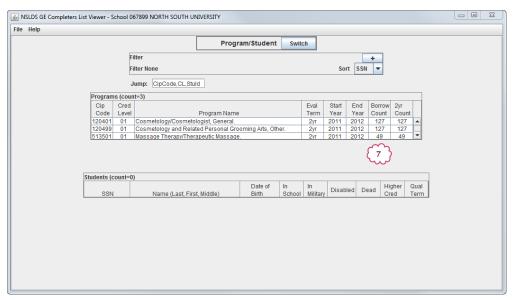


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End Year – The year that the rate evaluation period ends. Award Years run July to June crossing two calendar years and are often identified by a two year pair (e.g. 2010-2011). The year shown here is the second/ending year (e.g. 2011 for Award Year July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011).

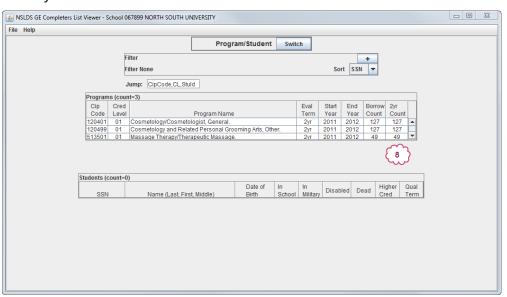


Borrow Count – This field contains the count of students in the program without exclusions.

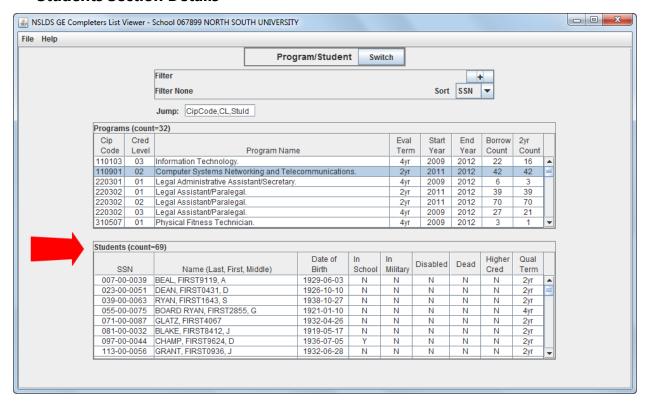


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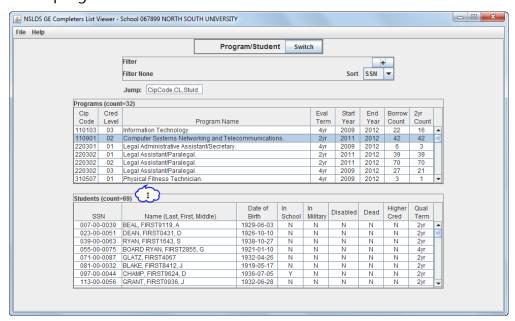
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Students Section Details

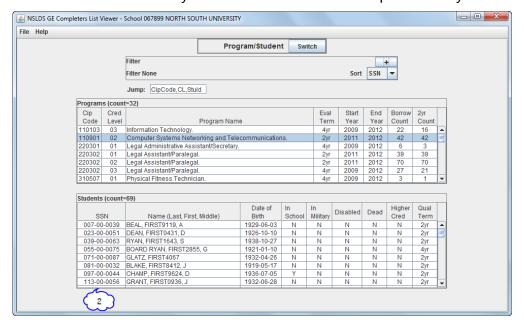


Count – This field contains the total count of students in the Completers List for this program.



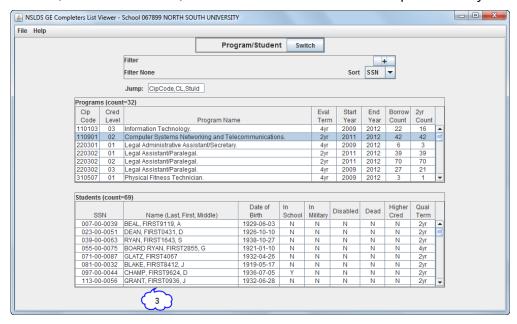


SSN – The Social Security Number of the student as provided by the school.



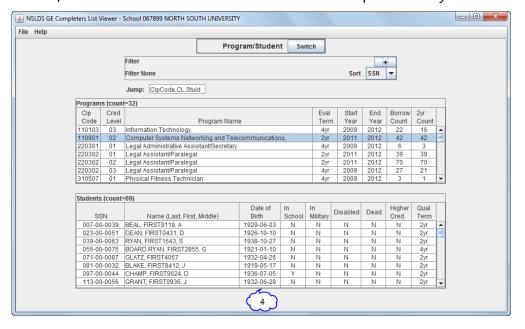
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Name (Last, First, Middle) – The name of the student as provided by the school.

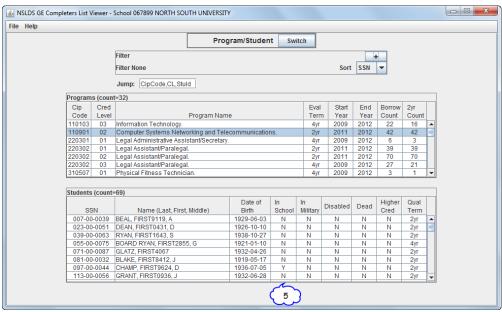




Date of Birth – The date of birth of the student as provided by the school.

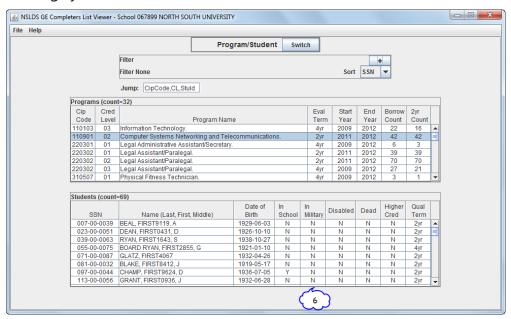


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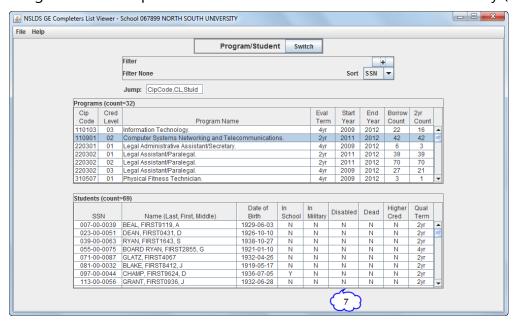
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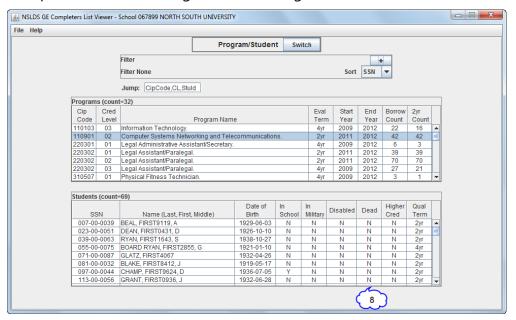


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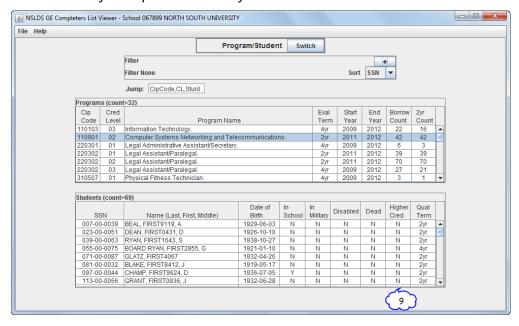


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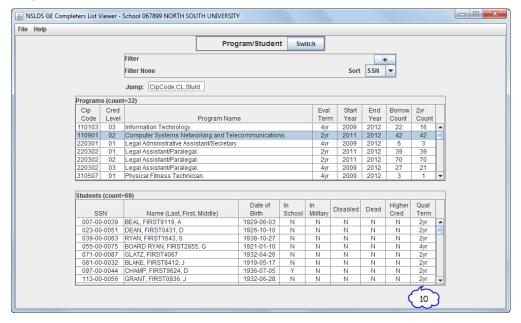
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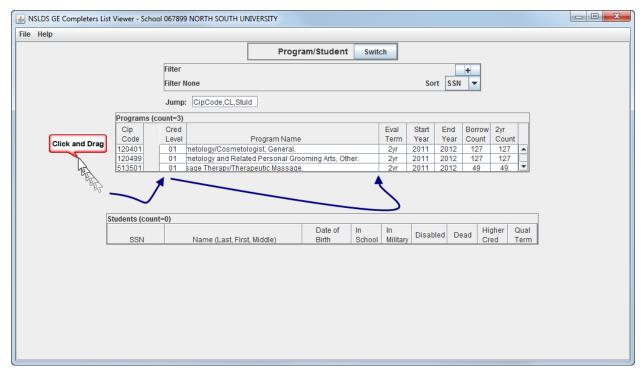


Qual Term – The period of time on which the rate is based for which the student qualifies.

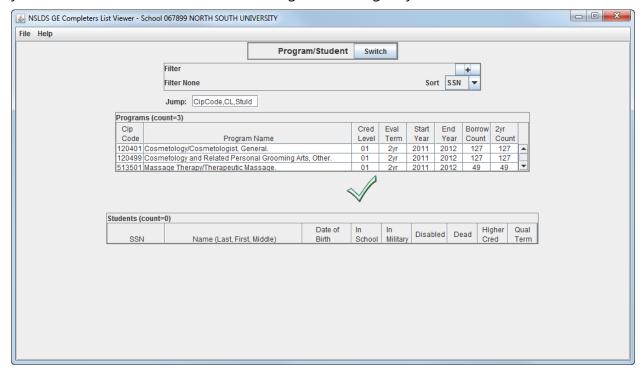


TIP: Rearrange Columns

By clicking and dragging a column within a table, you are able to reorder the columns within that table.



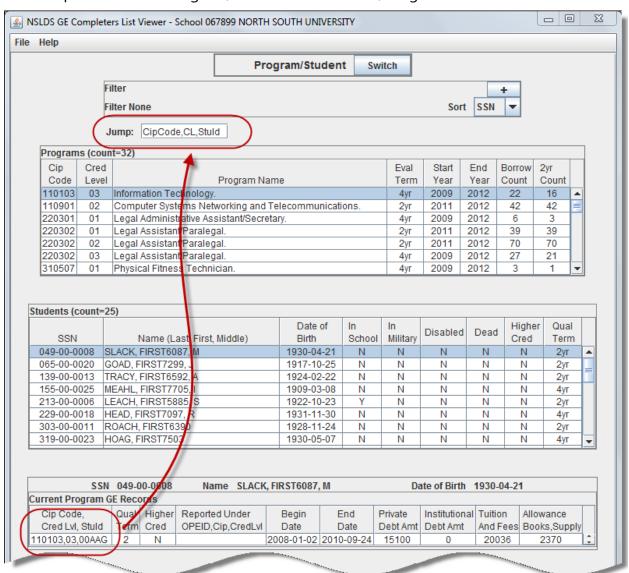
When the column is where you want it, release the mouse button. This feature allows you to reorder the columns within a single table to give you different views of data.



Note: You can't remove, hide or delete columns in a table. Nor can you move a column between tables with this feature.

4. Possible Search Methods

There are multiple ways to dissect the information included in your Completers List and there are several search options are available to help you do so. These include the 'Jump' feature and Program/Student and Student/Program views.



Jump Feature

The Jump feature provides you with the ability to jump to a particular student in your Completers List file. In order to jump, you must have the exact combination of CIP Code, CL, and the Student's ID (without spaces). The Student ID is not the student's social security number, but a unique alpha numeric field used to identify a specific student in a specific program's calculation.

Program/Student Option

A. By Program

- 1. Determine which program is going to be examined and select it.
- 2. Students contained in Completers List for that program will populate the Students box once the Program is selected.
- 3. Filter criteria for Completers List Exclusions can be used to pare down the data for further analysis.
- 4. Click on a row in the Student box to see the information for that student found in the Completers List.

B. By Credential Level

- 1. Select Credential Level from Filter.
- 2. All Programs with that Credential Level will appear in the Programs box beneath.
- 3. Filter criteria for Program can be used to pare down the data for further analysis.
- 4. Determine which program is going to be examined and select it.
- 5. Students contained in Completers List for that program will populate the Students box once the Program is selected.
- 6. Filter criteria for Completers List Exclusions can be used to pare down the data for further analysis.
- 7. Click on a row in the Student box to see the information for that student found in the Completers List.

C. By CIP Code

- 1. Enter the CIP Code for a Program found in the Completers List
- 2. The Programs list will begin to filter upon entry of the first digit entered into the box. Note: not all digits have to be entered to receive results.
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